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Attorney General John Ashcroft US Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530

Dear Attorney General Ashcroft:

As a concerned citizen of this great country, I write you to express my interest in the recent Microsoft settlement. As I have been a supporter of the settlement in the past, I am urging you to support the decision to take no further action in this matter.

As I see the news daily, I am concerned about the current recession and am hoping for a swift recovery. As technological advancement is delayed, so is our economic growth. This recession has also had a devastating effect on state budgets, and it does not make sense to spend resources on delaying a settlement that has already been achieved.

This settlement is fair and beneficial to all parties. It can only help our economy flourish and our country to prosper.

Sincerely,

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